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FR [Eastern Nam Bo Branch of the Liberation 26 May 62 News Agency (LNA)]

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MASATOMI KAWAI((B)), a representative of the YAMAKA Electrical Company who had been captured by the Liberation Army while he was in charge of building power lines on strategic roads for "the Americans and DIEM," was released by the National Front for the Liberation of South Vietnam on 3 May 1962, according to LNA. He had been captured on 13 April 1962 on National Highway 1.

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It was because of the policy toward alien residents of the National Front and because of KAWAI's request for amnesty, that he was released. On 3 May 1962, the National Front organized a festival for KAWAI, at which he expressed his sincere thanks for the good treatment received from the soldiers of the Liberation Army.

KAWAI also denounced the "American imperialists" according to LNA, and said he was determined to go to Saigon and inform the Japanese of the true purpose of the National Front for the Liberation of South Vietnam and inform the people of the leniency and policy of the National Front toward alien residents.

((A)) Complete text available if required.

((B)) The Times of Vietnam, on 21 April 1962, reported the capture of MASATOMI KAWAI, an employee of the YAMAKA Electrical Firm, on 13 April 1962 on the Dalat Saigon Road, 20 kilometers from Bien Hoa (10-57N PAGE 2 of 2 PAGE(s) 106-49E).

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